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SUBJECT: PAPANTLA ROYALTIES SUIT AGAINST PEMEX

REF: MEXICO 2775

1. MEXICAN PRESS TODAY ( MAY 15) CARRIED NEWS STORIES CONCERNING PAPANTLA ROYALTIES SUIT FILED IN DELAWARE COURT AGAINST PETROLEOS MEXICANO ( PEMEX), STATE OIL AGENCY. PAPANTLA SEEKS PAYMENTS FOR ROYALTIES DATING BACK TO 1938 EXPROPRIATION. STORIES QUOTE PEMEX AS DENYING PRIOR KNOWLEDGE SUIT, AND FURTHER DENYING THAT ANY ROYALTIES OWED BY PEMEX TO PAPANTLA.

2. ROSCOE GAITHER, LOCAL ATTORNEY FOR PAPANTLA, CALLED EMB OFF TODAY TO STATE THAT HE HAS NOW SUPPLIED PEMEX WITH TRUE COPIES ALL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO SUIT. HE SAID THAT COURT- CERTIFIED DOCUMENTS WERE ON THEIR WAY BY REGISTERED MAIL FROM DELAWARE, BUT APPARENTLY HAD NOT ARRIVED AT PEMEX IN MEXICO CITY AS YET. HE ADDED THAT MEXICAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON BEING KEPT FULLY INFORMED BY JAMES P. D' ANGELO, PAPANTLA REPRESENTATIVE IN DELAWARE. THE REAL PROBLEM, HE RELATED CONFIDENTIALLY, IS THAT PEMEX HAS NO OFFICIAL, LEGAL OFFICE IN U. S., SO THAT WRIT SERVICE HAD PROVED IMPOSSIBLE. U. S. ATTORNEYS

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FOR PAPANTLA ARE NOW SEEKING U. S. PURCHASERS PEMEX  
CRUDE OR REFINED EXPORTS TO SEEK ATTACHMENT OUTSTANDING  
BILLS, BUT SO FAR HAVE NOT SUCCEEDED IN LOCATING ANY.

3. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HEARING OF ANY INFORMATION  
ON THIS CASE WHICH MIGHT COME TO THE DEPARTMENT' S ATTENTION.  
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